

dispensibility of having Christ the hope of glory in the heart. Thus he preached to the church a week or more before he gave any invitation to sinners. After receiving a pentecostal unction from heaven, the sermons were directed at the forts of sin, they became more interesting, logical, thrilling, persuasive and soul inspiring than ever. The choir sang as they never had sung before, the prayers seemed more effectual and spiritual than ever; it seemed to us as tho the Holy Spirit was in all the hymns, as well as in the sermons and in the prayers.

The fortifications of satan crumbled and fell down, notwithstanding the persistent effort on the part of the enemies of the Christian religion to counteract the power of the spirit. The dancing parties and all the scheming and ridiculing resorted to did not keep sinners from fleeing from the coming wrath and come out on the Lord's side and make the "good confession."

The meeting closed Nov. 13, with sixteen additions, fifteen by baptism and one by letter from the M. E. church that was baptized by Brother Calvert when he was pastor of this church; two came out that have not yet been baptized and others were almost persuaded, and some wanted to come but were intimidated when father said, "If you join church you can't come under my roof anymore."

S. B. Grisso our former pastor also was with us and helped the good cause on by his prayers and songs; one of above number came out and confessed Christ during Grisso's pastorate. Brother Kimmel was or is to the Ankenytown church what Hezekiah was to the Jews, scattered throughout the Holy Land. He erected the altar of the Lord from which the prayers of the church ascend every Thursday night, also have a young people's meeting once a week. On Saturday night, Nov. 26, we had an unusual quiet and impressive communion service, on account of the sudden cold wave and snow storm the attendance was not as large as we usually have on like occasions.

It is our earnest, persistent, continual prayer that the effects and good results of this revival will be seen and felt by all the faithful workers of this church until God will call us from labor to reward. We ask an interest in the prayers of the entire brotherhood in our behalf.

Our trials and temptations have been great. We fondly hope, pray and labor for a gradual, continuous growth spiritually and numerically.

ISAAC LEEDY.

Dunlaps, Ind.

At the request of the K. C. at this place I send in this following report. The K. C. is moving along nicely at this time, although we are not blessed with numbers as we would like, yet we have a very interesting meeting. We follow the topics and have recitations, essays, and good music also. We expect to begin our revival the 4th of Dec. Our pastor, Brother Menaugh, expects to

conduct our services. Brother Menaugh is one of the Lord's faithful servants and I believe he practices what he preaches. One has been added to our fold lately. May the brotherhood pray for the success of our meeting, not so much for numbers, but for a deeper consecration on the part of its workers.

Roaring Springs, Pa.

We still live and have our being. Spiritually we are moving along pleasantly, and to some extent, successfully. Our communion services during the month of November were well attended and highly enjoyable. During these services four persons were added to the church. Brother Henry Wise of Virginia gave us a ten days' service in Altoona, whose sermons are of the practical kind and do good. We enjoy the EVANGELIST very greatly, and if it wasn't for spoiling the editor we would like to say it has attained to a high degree as a church paper. We were exceedingly sorry that we failed to meet Brother Lyon while at our charge in Altoona; the reason was the "hello" machine got out of whack and before the message reached us the train had gone and it was too far to walk, (about twenty miles).

And, verily, it seemeth that the Brethren church hath settled down to its "annual meeting" or "annual conference." (Which is only a distinction without a difference.) How distinctly we remember the first conference at Dayton, over which our venerable Brother Holsinger presided, and we sat at his side as vice chairman, that a conference every five years was only obtained after a hard fight. Many of our brethren looked back and saw the old annual meeting ditch, and were fearful that even every five years there was danger of tumbling in, and now, verily, we are in. Yes, in, up to the neck, and each year the grist is put in the mill and ground out. So every twelve months we get our usual dose of "whereases" and "resolves." It calls to my mind the fable of the fish and the crab. It was strange to the fish why the crab went backward instead of forward. The fish instructed the crab how to go forward, took his departure and promised to return and see the progress. He had reported his success to the other fish. On his second visit he found the crab hoofing it backward; "how is this?" "Well," said the crab, "its more like our fathers, and therefore more natural." On his return the other fish inquired what success. "O, its the same old back action crab it always was." We find no special objections to annual state conferences (and even they are stereotyped and bolt the meal thro the same old cloth) and they too, draw largely on "whereases" and "resolves," yet can arrange for local work among the churches, but as to an annual National Conference, we draw the line. First, it is unnecessary; second, it is retrograding; third, it is expensive; yet withal, I suppose the annual meeting will continue, and the poor preacher to keep up his orthodoxy will be obliged to attend, and

if we live until next year, will try and attend and find out whether it is a "delegated body" or a "mass convention." Now, brother editor we have said our say, and your happy privilege is to assign it to that certain receptacle or print it.

W. L. SPANOGLE.

Pleasant Hill, Ohio

Some time has elapsed since any thing has appeared in the EVANGELIST from this part of God's vineyard, and as church news is an article always in demand, I concluded that a few items from here would be in order.

Brother Baughman closed his pastorate here the last Sunday in October. He had labored at this place for a little over one year. May God's blessing abide with him.

I am glad to announce the fact, for it is a fact, that we are so fortunate as to have a minister live right here in the midst of the flock, which we have not had for a long time. Brother White and family of West Independence have located here, and he is now a full fledged citizen of Pleasant Hill. We pray God's blessing to rest on him and his work which will be for him to do. Now come brethren and sisters, put forth every effort, put your shoulder to the wheel and push, never pull back, be at your post of duty, ever ready and willing to perform your part, not only once or twice, but at all times and you will receive a rich reward for it. "Whatsoever thy hands find to do, do it with thy might." The minister can do a great deal but not all of it. If his members will not cooperate with him, stand by him, from first to last, you need not expect any great results. In union is strength, co-operation is the great master wheel, and we all can be, if we will, a part of the great master wheel, and if we do not co-operate the blessings will be small and possibly none at all. "Bear ye one another's burdens." Our help can be made manifest in many ways, our presence and help in Sunday school, at the K. C., at church services, not only in nice sunshine but also in storm.

Our S. S. is not so large in numbers as it might be, or as we would like to see it, yet there is good interest manifested by those who are faithful and help to make the number. While we are happy to know that the "best" does not always come from the great number alone. Christ said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name there I will be in the midst and that to bless." When we have Christ in our midst as a companion we have great reasons for rejoicing.

Our K. C. is progressing finely and hope for still brighter things in the future of which we will speak of later. Our K. C. had a specially prepared program for Thanksgiving night. Too much praise can not be said in honor of the little folks concerning the manner in which they acquitted themselves in performing the exercises. They performed their part excellently to a crowded house.

May God add his blessing is my prayer.

C. E. STAUB.